## PRAYING SPECIFICALLY FOR REVIVAL AND SPIRITUAL AWAKENING

Clearly, the most desperate need in America is genuine revival and spiritual awakening. A sweeping revival would affect morality and evangelism far more than anything else. Yet, thousands of church prayer rooms spend so much time on lesser issues that little or no time or attention is given to this crucial concern!

It is also true that most believers do not know "how" to pray effectively for revival. It is vital that our Prayer Room have specific requests to help our intercessors focus on genuine revival and spiritual awakening. As our intercessors pray for specific prayers for revival, they should use a three-fold focus: (a) Personal and Church Revival, (b) City and State Revival and, (c) National Revival and Spiritual Awakening

As you pray for revival and spiritual awakening, be sure to focus on key leaders as well as relevant current issues. The following requests are examples of specific, biblical prayers for revival in a church, city or nation.

## SPECIFIC PRAYERS FOR SPIRITUAL AWAKENING

- 1. Ask God to pour out deep conviction of sin, spiritual brokenness, a holy fear of God and genuine repentance among His people. There will be no revival without these elements, and only God can produce them in His people.
- 2. *Pray for deep cleansing, genuine repentance, and spiritual power to engulf pastors and Christian leaders.* Revival and spiritual awakening are extremely unlikely without a mighty move of God in pastors and Christian leaders.
- 3. *Pray for God to bestow spiritual hunger in His people and draw them to fervent intercession*. God has to grant people genuine faith and fervent desire for prayer.
- 4. *Pray that god will bring loving unity in our churches and a deep harmony between our churches*. Many churches need healing among members and many churches need to stop competing jealously with other churches.
- 5. *Pray that God would fill His people with a passion to see people saved*. Only God can give a genuine burden for souls. Until God's people intensely pray for the lost and do aggressive soul winning, revival will tarry.
- 6. *Pray that God will give His people a passion for missions and starting churches*. Great revivals produce an explosion of mission projects, new ministries, and new church starts.
- 7. *Pray that God will call thousands into ministry, missions and Christian service*. Many church are dying for lack of soul winners, teachers, and church workers.
- 8. **Pray that God will pour out His Spirit like a mighty purifying flood**. Ask God to purify our "motives" as we pray for revival. It is possible to pray for revival for selfish or ambitious reasons. Our motives must be solely for: (a) The glory of God, and (b) the increase of the kingdom of God.
- 9. *Pray for a mighty move of conviction and salvation to engulf communities of cultural influence*. Some key examples are Hollywood actors and producers, government officials, educators, teachers, and college professors, news and media people, talk show hosts, etc.
- 10. Specifically pray for God to pour out His Spirit in a fashion even greater that He did in America in 1858 and Wales in 1904. Ten percent of Wales' population was saved in six months.